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1. ECONOMIC TIMES NOVEMBER 1 REPORTED BOMBAY PORT IS
CONGESTED WITH 8 FOOD SHIPS, 6 FERTILIZER SHIPS AND 6 GENERAL
CARGO SHIPS AWAITING BERTHS. BECAUSE OF BUNCHING OF VESSELS,
FOOD SHIPS IN STREAM WILL NOT GET BERTHS FOR ABOUT A MONTH
WHILE FERTILIZER SHIPS WILL BE BERTHED SOMEWHAT SOONER.
FOOD CORPORATION OF INDIA IS CONSEQUENTLY OBLIGED TO PAY
HEAVY DEMURRAGE FOR THE FOOD AND FERTILIZERS IMPORTED.
BOMBAY PORT AUTHORITIES HAVE ALLOCATED THREE BERTHS FOR
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FOOD SHIPS AND TWO FOR FERTILIZER SHIPS, BUT IN PRESENT

SITUATION THEY ARE INADEQUATE. FCI'S REQUEST FOR MORE BERTHS IS OPPOSED BY OWNERS OF GENERAL CARGO SHIPS. H.M. TRIVEDI, NEW GOI MINISTER OF SHIPPING VISITED BOMBAY NOVEMBER 2, TO STUDY SITUATION.

2. DOCK MANAGER CONFIRMED TO CONGEN THAT ECONOMIC TIMES REPORT WAS CORRECT, BUT REMARKED THAT SITUATION IS NOT NEW. PRESENTLY 23 SHIPS, INCLUDING 9 FOOD SHIPS, ARE AWAITING BERTHS, HE STATED. SIGNED BANE
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